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Patrick is one of seven parolees featured in a new photo exhibit at King's University College highlighting life after prison. Read the full story on Page 4. COURTESY MARK POWER

City to bid for Commonwealth Games 2022

Uphill battle. City will compete with South African campaign



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Edmonton will need a come-from-behind victory in its bid for the Commonwealth Games, according to an expert on the bidding process for international sporting events.

The city announced Monday it intends to bid for the 2022 Commonwealth Games, which would bring the event to the city 44 years after it last hosted them in 1978.

Duncan Mackay, the editor of Inside the Games, a website devoted to news about major international sporting events, said there will be considerable

pressure to send the games to Durban, South Africa, Edmonton's only competitor.

"They definitely have the wind behind them. I think the Commonwealth Games Federation realizes that they have to be seen to stop going to the traditional countries," he said. "They need to spread their wings a bit."

Mackay didn't rule out an Edmonton victory — and even noted early frontrunners often fail — but said it will be hard for the city to overcome the desire for an African games.

City manager Simon Farbrother said he's confident Edmonton can bring home a winning bid.

"We have a very experienced events team in the city and a very strong reputation," he said. "We don't go into these things to come in second."

Farbrother said he expected

Long-term investment

"We can sit here today and point to ... significant investments ... that are a consequence of bringing a major event to the city."

City manager Simon Farbrother

the bid alone to cost between \$5 and \$7 million, with the cost of hosting the games coming in at around \$1 billion.

Farbrother said the city would be on the hook for about 20 per cent of those costs, with the remaining 80 per cent coming from the province and possibly the federal government.

He said the 1978 games left a legacy for the city in terms of athletic facilities, as well as the first stages of the LRT, and he expects the 2022 games to have a similar effect.

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CTF raises alarm on arena announcement

A taxpayer watchdog is calling offside, saying that taxpayer money was used for the announcement of the new downtown arena.

Held in February, the event included an announcement that the guaranteed maximum price for the project had been reached and marked the go-ahead for construction.

Derek Fildebrandt, Alberta director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, said they were curious about who paid for the flashy press conference and obtained details through a freedom of information request. "We have been skeptical and in steadfast opposition to taxpayer presents to billionaires," he said.

The documents they presented showed the event cost about \$9,000 and Fildebrandt said it appears the city was forced to pay half of those costs. "Now \$9,000 is a very small fraction of the hundreds of millions that we are handing Mr. Katz, but he still made us go Dutch on it," he said.

Ronna Bremer with the city said the money didn't come from city taxpayers, but from the project's construction budget.

She said they decided on a scaled-back groundbreaking ceremony, so they could share more information in the future. "We looked at it and, recognizing the importance of communicating with people as this project proceeds, we made a strategic decision not to spend too much on a groundbreaking," she said.

Bremer said other groundbreaking announcements for such major facilities have cost a lot more.

"It was less than \$9,000 for a \$605-million project," she said. **RYAN TUMILTY/METRO**



U of A student union president Petros Kusmu is joined by the school's provost Carl Amrhein to announce the official launch of a fall reading week. LEAH GERMAIN/METRO

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Wildrose looking rosy. Tories end 2013 deep in debt

The Progressive Conservatives are almost \$1 million deep into a financial hole, while the Wildrose have a hefty war chest, according to the latest financial filings.

Financial reports Elections Alberta posted online Monday show the Tories raised \$2.2 million last year, but still ended with a \$136,248 deficit for 2013.

That number, added to the rest of their financial picture, leaves the party \$946,000 in the red.

PC party president Jim Mc-

Cormick was not made available for comment on the financials.

The Wildrose on the other hand ended 2013 with a \$27,000 surplus, after pulling in \$2.3 million in donations. Adding that to the rest of their financial position they have \$430,000 in the bank ready for the next election.

Wildrose MLA Rob Anderson said the PC's dismal financial picture is reflective of how they govern.

"They are running the fi-

nances of their party the same way they run the finances of the province," he said.

Anderson said the financial picture, combined with bad polling numbers, is another sign the government is on its way out.

"I've never seen the PC party to ever be this weak on so many levels."

The Alberta Liberals ended 2013 with \$50,000 in the bank, and the NDP ended the year nearly \$300,000 in debt.

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Alberta Progressive Conservative president Jim McCormick
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Red Bull event to crash into Edmonton**Crashed Ice.**
Event features
downhill skating

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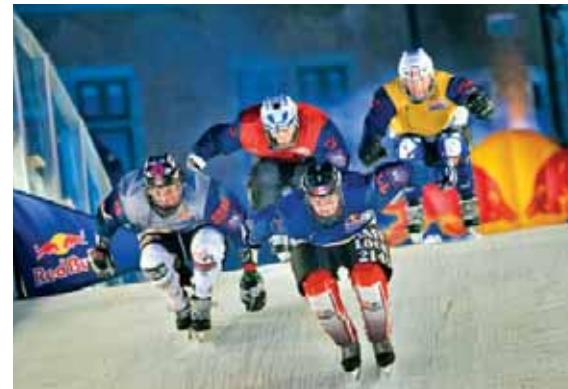
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Red Bull's Crashed Ice downhill skating event will slide into Edmonton in 2015, Metro has learned.

Coun. Amarjeet Sohi and tourism minister Dr. Richard Starkie have a press conference scheduled for Tuesday morning, where Metro's sources have indicated they will announce the city will host the popular event in March 2015.

The Crashed Ice event involves skaters sliding down a slalom-style course, downhill on a winding track. Metro was not able to obtain information about where in the city the event will be held, but events in other centres have usually been held in the city's downtown.

Jim Taylor, president of the downtown business associa-



Scott Croxall from Canada, Pavo Klintrup from Finland, Adam Horst from Canada and Gabriel Andre from Canada perform during the finals of the Red Bull Crashed Ice World Championship 2012 in Quebec City on March 17, 2012.

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tion, said he knows the event has been on the city's radar for a number of years.

He said any major event like this would be good for Edmonton because it will bring more international attention to the city.

"It's always interesting and

it always brings attention to the city and when you bring attention to the city, you always bring attention to downtown," he said.

Adam Johnson, the vice-president of marketing and media relations with St. Paul, Minn.'s tourism agency, de-

Crashed Ice

- Four racers at a time go down the Crashed Ice track reaching speeds of up to 70 km/h.
- There were four events this past year: one in Helsinki, Finland, one in St. Paul, Minn., one in Quebec City and one in Moscow.

scribed hosting the event there as "somewhere between excellent and amazing."

He said that in excess of 100,000 people line the competition route for the event and it brings many people from out of town to watch.

"It fills all of our hotels and a lot of our restaurants," he said.

Johnson said St. Paul's only complaint about the event is they haven't been able to make it a more permanent fixture.

"It's a fantastic event. My only wish is that we could sign a five-year agreement with them," he said.

Fall break for students. Green and Gold Week gets OK

Green and Gold Week is a go for University of Alberta students as the school's provost gave his signature of approval to launch a new fall reading week.

U of A provost Carl Amrhein called the initiative an impressive effort on the part of students Monday.

"There would have been no project without the leadership from the last several years," Amrhein said.

According to U of A student

union president Petros Kusmu, students had been looking for a fall reading week for more than four years, voting in favour of the week in 2011.

"The Green and Gold Week paralleling the existing spring break will help make fall and winter semesters more symmetrical," Kusmu said.

Kusmu said the student union has worked to ensure that the week will not impact studies and planned to of

Mission accomplished

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The number of years it's taken U of A's student union to get the fall reading week approved

fer students a chance to visit family, catch up on schoolwork and regroup before the fall exams.

Planned to coincide with the Remembrance Day long weekend in November, Kusmu said it's one time of year where the student union has noticed the university's mental health centre sees the highest number of student visits.

U of A now joins the ranks of Carleton University, Ryerson University and Wilfrid Laurier University as Canadian schools with a fall reading week.

LEAH GERMAIN/METRO

Health Canada to appeal Federal Court decision on pot



Health Canada will be implementing new regulations for who can grow medical marijuana starting Tuesday. METRO FILE

Medical marijuana.
Alberta users continue to grow — legally

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Just hours before new legislation prohibiting medical marijuana users to grow their own cannabis are applied across Canada, the country's health body released a statement Monday confirming it would respect a recent injunction.

While Health Canada plans to appeal the Federal Court's order, it will allow for people who were previously licensed to grow medical marijuana as of September 30, to continue to do so.

"After April 1st, Health Canada will no longer be in the business of providing marijuana," said the statement. "We want to remind Canadians that marijuana is not an approved

No April Fool's joke

- As of April 1st, patients using medical marijuana without a license under previous laws will have to purchase their supply from a licensed grower.
- Enforcement services estimate it would cost upwards of \$600,000 to build a medical marijuana grow operation in compliance to the new regulations.

drug or medicine in Canada. Health Canada does not endorse its use."

Living in rural central Alberta, Shelia — who asked her last name not be published — said she wasn't concerned about speculations last week that Health Canada wouldn't honour the injunction, but is worried about the possible implications of growing her own cannabis.

The 47-year-old had been growing her own marijuana since 2012.

"I wish I had never signed up for the program," she said. "I did it to protect me from being imprisoned, but ... it's put me at great risk of prosecution by my government just because I am sick," Shelia added.

With 10 plants ready to crop out and six more clones, Shelia said she isn't prepared to throw out two years of hard work and medication.

After being diagnosed with severe rheumatoid arthritis 20 years ago, the Alberta woman has been using medical marijuana to deal with pain.

"I was in bad shape until I started to used cannabis on a fairly regular basis," she said. "I know it benefits me and I will never, ever stop using it."

According to the federal government, since the Marijuana Medical Access program was launched in 2001, there are now more than 40,000 people participating in the program.

ASBA vying for spot at the table to negotiate teacher contracts

Alberta school boards are vying for their place back at the table for teacher contract negotiations after more than nine years of seemingly being shunned from the final stages of negotiations.

Alberta School Board Association President Helen Clease is currently meeting with school boards across the province. She said it's essential for the boards to

School boards, union locals

62

The number of school boards and union locals in the province

take part in the negotiation process, given that teachers work for them.

"We are the employers. The government is the sys-

tem, and we are the ones who are accountable to the taxpayers," said Clease.

"It's really important that we are involved because teacher salary and benefits, that's the biggest portion of our school board budgets," she added.

In the past, 62 school boards and union locals from across the province would negotiate with their own teachers.

With the current agreement expiring August 1, 2016, Clease said now is the perfect time to develop a new model.

Sarah Hoffman, board chairperson for Edmonton public schools, called developing a new model absolutely fundamental for school boards to have a voice.

Alberta Teacher Association spokesperson Dennis

Theobald said it's not unreasonable for the ASBA to have these consultations, as the minister of education Jeff Johnson has announced a need for a new bargaining model.

"We are looking at structure issues, which are very difficult to solve," said Theobald.

"I'm not sure it is just communication."

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EPSB chair Sarah Hoffman METRO FILE

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Bookings. Transit service for disabled looks online

Disabled Adult Transit Service (DATS) users will soon be able to book their trips with just a few clicks as Edmonton Transit officials gear up to test a 24/7 online booking system.

With the majority of the transportation service's customers using the telephone booking system to schedule trips in the city during specific hours, the system will allow customers to book trips with DATS at their convenience around the clock.

"We're trying to promote independence," said Lorna Stewart, director of technology, DATS and information management.

Operating on a self-serve model, users will be able to go online, get set up and check the availability of drivers for their appointment.

Currently users can book online until noon the day before the trip but with the pilot project, travellers with a physical or cognitive disability can use the online tool to reserve trips up until midnight before their ap-



DATS officials are expected to launch a pilot project allowing users to book their trips online.
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pointment.

The transportation service has 240 riders who book appointments using the online tool, something they're hoping to increase amongst their approximate 10,000 registrants so far, according to Stewart.

The pilot project is expected to roll out in May by asking users to test out the modified online tool.

STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO

Searching for premier

Senator Tannas will not seek PC leadership

An Alberta senator says he doesn't have what it would take to turn around the fortunes of the PC Party of Alberta.

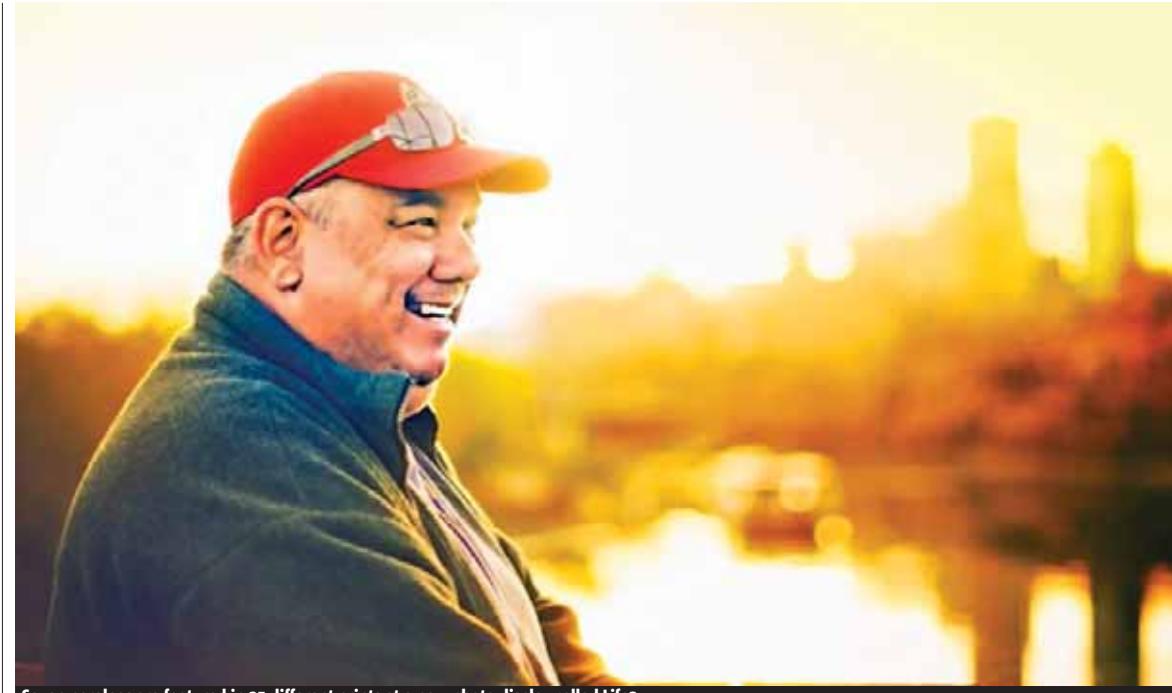
Scott Tannas said last week he was considering a run at the party leadership, but wanted to hear what Albertans thought, and he says they told him it would be a very gruelling, uphill climb. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Traffic court changes

Gov't misleading public: Lawyer

Criminal lawyers say the Alberta government is misleading the public about the need for a revamp of the traffic court system.

The province is suggesting a resolution process for those wanting to dispute traffic tickets where instead of going to court the case would be heard by an adjudicator and any appeal dealt with by an administrative tribunal. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Seven parolees are featured in 35 different prints at a new photo display called Life2. COURTESY OF MARK POWER

Parolees focus of new photo exhibit

Second chances. New photo series highlights life after prison



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It has been nothing short of obstacles for parolee Patrick, who has a criminal record that follows him in job searches, post-secondary education and sometimes just in life in general.

But for Patrick — whose last name has been withheld — being truthful about his past and showing the world what he can offer has worked out well for him moving forward.

"I've never hidden the fact that I have a criminal record. I'm not the same person as I was 30 years ago," said Patrick, who helped individuals at the recent Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings in Edmonton.

Hoping to shed some light on life after prison, Pat is one of the seven parolees featured in

Parolees

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Seven parolees were photographed by seven Edmonton photographers for a new exhibit.

a new photo exhibit launched Monday night in the city.

Called Life2, the exhibit features work by seven different photographers who met with their parolees at least twice before snapping a photo of them

in a favourite place, doing a certain hobby or just enjoying life.

"The exhibit represents second chances. There's a stigma of being on parole and an ex con," said Mark Power, social engineer of the project.

Parolees featured in the exhibit, which is meant to "give second chances," have been sentenced on a range of crimes, including manslaughter and bank robbery.

Featuring a total of 35 prints, the free exhibit runs from March 31 to May 3 at King's University.

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Australian PM pledges to continue search

Royal New Zealand Air Force P-3 Orion's captain, Wing Commander Rob Shearer, scans the southern Indian Ocean Monday while looking for evidence of missing Malaysia Airlines Flight MH370. Although it has been slow, difficult and frustrating so far, the search for the plane is nowhere near the point of being scaled back, Australia's prime minister pledged Monday. The three-week hunt has turned up no signs of the Boeing 777, which vanished March 8 with 239 people bound for Beijing from Kuala Lumpur. ROB GRIFFITH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia sees 'virtue' of pact, Baird says

Tough diplomacy.

After Crimea affair, expert warns Canada should have its eye on Arctic claims

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird says he hopes Russia has seen the "virtue" of diplomacy to resolve the crisis in Ukraine, while a defence expert warns that Canada should be paying more attention to Russia's claims in the Arctic.

Baird, speaking in Chisinau, Moldova, sounded hopeful about talks between Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov and U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry in Paris, aimed at diffusing tension in eastern Europe.

"We believe that Russia has apparently now seen the virtue of a diplomatic pact and equivalent steps in positive action," Baird said at a joint news conference with Moldova's foreign minister.

"Frankly speaking, the actions of the Russian Federation will speak more loudly than its words."

He again called on Moscow to withdraw troops from Crimea and along the borders of eastern Ukraine.

Russia laid out a tough set of conditions for a diplomatic settlement, proposals that would radically alter the way Ukraine is governed and administered by making regions more autonomous.

Baird met with a series of senior government ministers in Moldova, a country squeezed between Ukraine and Romania, and assured them Canada strongly believes in the country's territorial integrity.

But defence expert Rob Huebert of the University of Calgary says the Harper government should be paying closer attention to Canada's own yet-to-be-defined border with Russia in the Arctic.

His warning comes after a published report in Moscow



Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird
FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

last week saying further militarization in the Arctic that would challenge Russia's pre-eminence in the region is a "red line" that the West dare not cross.

Although Canada and Russia — as well as several other Arctic countries — are engaged in an international process, Huebert said Putin's recent annexation of Crimea in defiance of international law raises the question of whether Russia would respect a border decision that doesn't go in its favour.

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Clause will keep values charter alive: Marois

Parti Québécois Leader Pauline Marois is prepared to invoke the rarely used notwithstanding clause to ensure her party's controversial secular charter is adopted.

Marois said Monday she will reintroduce the values charter project as it currently stands if her party forms a majority government after next Monday's Quebec election.

And after stating for months the government was confident the secular charter could withstand any judicial challenge, Marois threatened to use the notwithstanding clause to immediately ward off the possibility of any legal threat.

The clause is enshrined

in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and allows Parliament or provinces to override the rights charter in order to adopt legislation. The exemption lasts five years.

Marois said the clause would simply be integrated into the values charter.

"We have different advice about the constitutionality of this charter," Marois said. "Some say yes, no problem, some say no. So I will not take any risks with this ... If we need this clause, we will use this clause."

The proposed legislation would ban all public-sector employees, including teachers and daycare workers, from



PQ leader Pauline Marois at a news conference in Trois-Rivières, Que.
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displaying or wearing religious symbols such as the hijab or the kippa. Marois said it would remain largely as is if the PQ returns to power.

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Grain backlog

CN, grain elevator companies play blame game

Canadian National Railway says it is making progress to meet the government's target of increased grain shipments, but the railway drew a rebuke from Western

Canadian grain elevator companies after calling on them to "step up" their own performances.

"The fact that CN is making this comment is just an attempt to deflect attention from the real issue," said Wade Sobkowich, executive director of the Western Grain Elevator Association.

He said the main challenge is getting enough

capacity and receiving cars throughout the week "appropriately apportioned" to the country's four grain delivery corridors — Western Canada, Thunder Bay, the United States and Eastern Canada.

"It doesn't make sense that they're asking us to do a better job when we're already performing," he said in an interview.

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Emergency response in North lacking?

New study. No search-and-rescue aircraft means long delays

A study done across the North is suggesting that emergency planners in the Arctic should start thinking about the people who live there and stop talking

about tourists on cruise ships.

"Everyone's focused on what happens when the cruise ship goes down and what's going to happen as shipping increases in the Northwest Passage," said Sara French, who conducted the study for the Munk-Gordon Arctic Security Program in Toronto.

"But we've got some real challenges in responding to

Quoted

"This is something that is a day-to-day issue in the North."

Sara French, author of the study, says northerners often foot the bill to extend searches for those lost in the wilderness

emergencies right here, today, for those who are living in the

North."

Program staff held discussions on emergency preparedness in the three northern territories last fall. The results suggest the current approach is inadequate and getting worse.

Only one community — Whitehorse, Yukon — has 911 service and there are no search-and-rescue aircraft based in the North. That means there are

long delays before southern-based planes can reach Arctic skies.

She suggested northerners need the resources to be able to look after themselves.

"What northerners are saying is that 'we know that we're on our own, at least for the first (hours). Arm us with the tools we need to respond. Those are our family. Those are our friends, and we're going to go out there and do whatever we can,'" THE CANADIAN PRESS

Southern California

Man swept away during baptism

Rescuers have ended their search for a 43-year-old man swept to sea during a baptism ceremony on a Southern California beach.

The U.S. Coast Guard says the search was called off at about midnight Sunday and there are no plans to resume it.

A wave pulled three people into the ocean at about 10 a.m. off Rancho Guadalupe Dunes Preserve and only two managed to return to shore on their own. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

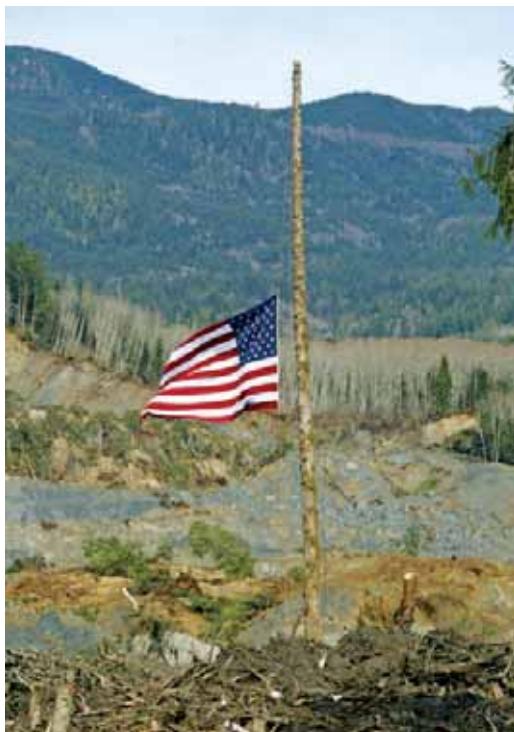
Antarctic expedition

Historic negatives purchased

Cambridge University has purchased a photographic record of one of Britain's great heroic failures: Capt. Robert Falcon Scott's ill-fated Antarctic expedition.

The university's Scott Polar Research Institute said Monday it had raised \$458,000 to buy 113 photographic negatives from the journey, which were at risk of being sold abroad.

Scott reached the South Pole in January 1912 to discover that he'd been beaten by Norway's Roald Amundsen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Mudslide death toll rises

An American flag from the only cedar post left standing at the scene of a deadly mudslide is seen in Oso, Wash., on Monday. Authorities say the official death toll from March 22 mudslide has increased to 24. SOFIA JARAMILLO/THE HERALD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Al-Jazeera English correspondent Peter Greste appears in a defendant's cage in a courtroom along with several other defendants during a trial on terror charges in Cairo on Monday. HEBA EL SHOROUK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canadian's release request denied by Egyptian judge

Three imprisoned Al-Jazeera English journalists, including an Egyptian-Canadian, directly asked the judge on Monday to release them, insisting the terrorism charges against them were unfounded.

The judge denied the request for bail by Canadian Mohamed Fahmy, Australian Peter Greste and Egyptian Baher Mohammed during the fourth hearing in the trial that opened on Feb. 20.

The trial marks the first time journalists have been charged with terrorism-related offences in Egypt, drawing international criticism.

Locked up abroad

"I ask for acquittal."

Egyptian-Canadian Mohamed Fahmy

The three, along with 17 others, face terrorism-related charges based on the Egyptian authorities' accusations that they provided a platform to the Muslim Brotherhood group of ousted president Mohammed Morsi, which the government has declared a terrorist organization. Their defenders say they were just doing their job as journalists.

Fahmy, Greste and Moham-

med spoke after the judge took the unusual move of allowing all the defendants out of the cage, which serves as the dock in Egyptian trials, to approach the bench and address him directly with requests.

Besides the three journalists, five other defendants were in court Monday, with the rest being tried in absentia.

Fahmy, who had suffered from a fractured arm before his arrest, had asked to be released to receive better private medical attention after his injury deteriorated because of harsh conditions in prison.

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Koreas fire shells into each other's territory

Tensions rise. Poorly marked sea boundary has been scene of several bloody skirmishes

North and South Korea fired hundreds of artillery shells into each other's waters Monday in a flare-up of animosity that forced residents of five frontline South Korean islands to evacuate to shelters for several hours, South Korean officials said.

The exchange of fire into the Yellow Sea followed Pyongyang's sudden announcement that it would conduct live-fire drills in seven areas north of the Koreas' disputed maritime boundary. North Korea routinely test-fires artillery and missiles into the ocean but rarely discloses those plans in advance. The announcement was seen as an expression of Pyongyang's frustration at making little progress in its recent push to win outside aid.

North Korea fired 500 rounds of artillery shells over more than three hours, about



A South Korean marine LVT-7 landing craft sails through a smoke screen during military exercises on Monday. AHN YOUNG-JOON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

100 of which fell south of the sea boundary, South Korean Defence Ministry spokesman Kim Min-seok said. South Korea responded by firing 300 shells into North Korean waters, he said.

No shells from either side were fired at any land or military installations, but Kim called the North's artillery

firing a provocation aimed at testing Seoul's security posture. There was no immediate comment from North Korea.

In Washington, White House spokesman Jonathan Lallemand called North Korea's actions "dangerous and provocative" and said they would further aggravate tensions in the region.

Recent weeks have seen an increase in threatening rhetoric and a series of North Korean rocket and ballistic missile launches considered acts of protest by Pyongyang against annual ongoing springtime military exercises by Seoul and Washington.

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Fighting words

"The boneheads appear to have completely forgotten the fact that Yeonpyeong island was smashed by our military's bolt of lightning a few years ago."

Yun Jong Bum, North Korean military official

Northeastern Nigeria

Report says 1,500 killed in uprising

Increasing atrocities by extremists and uncontrolled reprisals by security forces have killed at least 1,500 people this year in northeastern Nigeria's Islamic uprising, Amnesty International reported Monday, accusing both sides of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

In a new report, the London-based advocacy group called for an international investigation.

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Pakistan. Musharraf the first army chief ever indicted for treason

A special Pakistani court on Monday indicted former military ruler Pervez Musharraf on five counts of high treason, a charge that potentially carries the death penalty and delivers a sharp blow to the country's powerful military.

The development is the first time that an acting or former army chief has been indicted for treason in Pakistan, where the military has taken power in three coups since the country was found-

ed in 1947.

It's unclear whether the case will ever get to the verdict stage, however. Musharraf's lawyers are pushing for him to be allowed to go abroad to see his ailing mother.

The indictment showcases the tensions between a civilian government that initiated the case and the military, which has generally been above the law.

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The wild climate ride has only just begun: UN panel

New report. Warning based on more than 12,000 peer-reviewed scientific studies

If the world doesn't cut pollution of heat-trapping gases, the already noticeable harms of global warming could spiral "out of control," the head of a United Nations scientific panel warned Monday.

And he's not alone. The White House says it is taking this new report as a call for change, with Secretary of State John Kerry saying "the costs of inaction are catastrophic."

Rajendra Pachauri, chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change that issued the 32-volume, 2,610-page report early Mon-

Time to wake up

Top scientists say the Intergovernmental Report on Climate Change, released Sunday in Japan, shows that Canadians must wake up to the impact of warming temperatures on land, on water and in communities. The report warns:

- The entire freshwater ecosystem of the vast boreal forest that stretches

almost across Canada is under threat.

- Climate change will worsen problems that society already has, such as poverty, sickness, violence and refugees.
- Read more online: The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change: <http://www.ipcc.ch>

day, told The Associated Press: "It is a call for action." Without reductions in emissions, he said, impacts from warming "could get out of control."

One of the study's authors, Maarten van Aalst, a top official at the International Fed-

eration of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, said, "If we don't reduce greenhouse gases soon, risks will get out of hand. And the risks have already risen."

Twenty-first century disasters such as killer heat waves in Europe, wildfires in the



This Nov. 9, 2013, photo shows Typhoon Haiyan as seen by astronaut Karen L. Nyberg aboard the International Space Station. Global warming is driving humanity toward a whole new level of risks, a UN scientific panel reports, warning that the wild climate ride has only just begun. KAREN L. NYBERG/NASA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

United States, droughts in Australia and deadly flooding in Mozambique, Thailand and Pakistan highlight how vulnerable humanity is to extreme weather, according to the report from the Nobel Prize-winning group of scientists.

The dangers are going to worsen as the climate changes even more, the report's authors said.

"We're now in an era where climate change isn't some kind of future hypothetical," said the overall lead

author of the report, Chris Field of the Carnegie Institution for Science in California. "We live in an era where impacts from climate change are already widespread and consequential."

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The impact of a hotter world. Less food, hot spots of hunger, says report

Global warming makes feeding the world harder and more expensive, the United Nations climate-change panel says.

A warmer world will push food prices higher, trigger "hot spots of hunger" among the world's poorest people, and put the crunch on Western delights like fine wine and robust coffee, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change concluded in its 32-volume report issued Monday.

"We're facing the spectre of reduced yields in some of the key crops that feed humanity," panel chairman Rajendra Pachauri said in press conference releasing the report.

Even though heat and

carbon dioxide are often considered good for plants, the overall effect of various aspects of man-made warming is that it will reduce food production compared to a world without global warming, the report said.

The last time the panel reported on the effects of warming in 2007, it said it was too early to tell whether climate change would increase or decrease food production. But in the past several years, the scientific literature has been overwhelming in showing that climate change hurts food production, said Chris Field of the Carnegie Institution of Science and lead author of the climate report. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



In this July 2012 photo, corn stalks struggle from lack of rain in Farmingdale, Ill. SETH PERLMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Global warming

Economic impacts

The economic impact of global warming is complex and not well understood. In some scenarios there would be economic benefits for countries that get warmer and wetter and consequently more fertile agriculturally. Drier weather in some regions would result in sharply lower crop yields. Advisers to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change say that the world economy may suffer losses of between 0.2 per cent and two per cent of income if temperatures rise by two degrees.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Relocation of industries and communities will cost billions of dollars.

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Ensuring enough water for industry and consumption will cost about \$12 billion a year worldwide.

CONFLICT

Climate change raises the risks of violent conflict such as civil wars by amplifying the impacts of poverty and economic crises, while increasing competition for scarce land, water and food.

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Fatal police shooting sparks mass outrage

Albuquerque, N.M.

Protests come after hacking collective Anonymous threatens retaliation for shooting of homeless man

Hundreds of protesters angry over recent Albuquerque po-

lice shootings clashed with riot officers for more than 10 hours, calling on the police chief and other city officials to resign.

Gas canisters were thrown outside police headquarters, and protesters at one point trapped police in a vehicle and tried to break its windows. Mayor Richard Berry said one officer was injured during the protest. Jail re-

cords showed at least six people were booked on disorderly conduct charges.

The outrage bubbled over following the recent fatal shooting of a homeless man as he appeared to be surrendering after an hours-long standoff in the Sandia foothills. Video of that shooting has been posted on websites around the world.

The FBI has opened a

criminal investigation of the shooting, while the U.S. Department of Justice has been investigating allegations of excessive force and a culture of abuse for more than a year.

Albuquerque police officers have been involved in 37 shootings, 23 of them fatal, since 2010. Critics say that's far too many for a department serving a city of about 555,000. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Riot police launch tear gas toward activists in downtown Albuquerque, N.M. during a 10-hour protest Sunday. RUSSELL CONTRERAS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Snakes alive! What a rescue

Firefighter Scott Hemmelsbach holds a python that he rescued from a burning home in Muskegon, Mich., Sunday night. Hemmelsbach said that he reluctantly agreed to enter the two-storey, smoke-filled house to retrieve the snake. He says he cradled the "heavy" snake before carrying it to safety. GORDON COLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Uganda. 'Thanksgiving service' held in support of harsh anti-gay law

President Yoweri Museveni of Uganda has launched fresh condemnation of gays, saying they deserve punishment because homosexuality "is criminal and it is so cruel."

Museveni, who last month signed a bill strengthening criminal penalties against homosexuals, said Monday that he is "now mobilizing to fight" Western gays he accuses of promoting homosexuality in Africa.

Museveni spoke at a "thanksgiving service" organ-

ized by a coalition of Ugandan religious leaders and government officials who said the president deserves credit for defying Western pressure.

Thousands of Ugandans attended the raucous event in the Ugandan capital, Kampala, many of them schoolchildren who sang and danced to anti-gay tunes that also railed against the West.

Some European countries and the U.S. have cut, delayed or reviewed aid to Uganda over the law. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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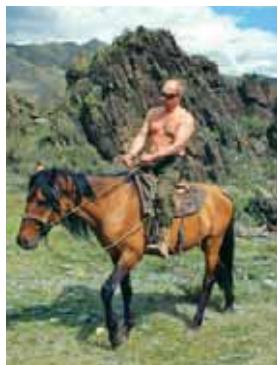
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PUTIN: PRESIDENT, PUGILIST, PERFORMER, PSYCHOPATH?

Metro asks a Toronto psychology professor what the Crimean crisis, hostile diplomatic relations and rehearsed public spectacles say about the Russian president's mental health

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The many images of Putin: From top, in the mountains of the Siberian Tyva region; playing with his dogs Yume and Buffy; flying in a motorized hang glider alongside a Siberian white crane. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

From a shirtless fishing trip to riding with biker gangs, Russian President Vladimir Putin is known for his eccentric media appearances.

When armed men in military uniforms arrived in Crimea, Putin claimed they were not Russian soldiers, despite coming from Russia in the country's military trucks. Last Saturday, Putin's former economic adviser told a Swedish newspaper that the leader aims to take back the Baltic countries and even Finland.

As Putin steps up Russia's Arctic military presence, analysts are wondering whether his rhetoric is simply political posturing, or if he's lost his mind.

In the midst of the Crimean crisis last month, German Chancellor Angela Merkel reportedly told U.S. President Barack Obama she wasn't sure whether Putin "was still in touch with reality" and wondered if he was "living in another world."

So is Putin mentally unstable? Probably not, according to Steve Joordens, a psychology professor at the University of Toronto's Scarborough campus.

"You don't run part of the KGB and go on to lead a country without thinking straight," Joordens told Metro.

While it's impossible to evaluate someone's mental state from afar, Joordens believes Putin is instead tapping into the psyche of ordinary Russians, while manipulating other countries. Joordens sees three main themes:

A strong, manly image

Whether taking to the cockpit of a fighter jet or spinning out a Formula One race car at

almost 240 km/h, Putin often appears to be a risk-taking stuntman.

Joordens says Putin is likely trying to show himself as a strong leader of a strong country after a rapid decline in territory and influence.

"Russia was one of two superpowers in its glory days, and it's lost a lot of self-esteem on a country level," he said. "Putin's attempt to show bravado is to preserve a sense of self-esteem."

Joordens notes that Putin portrays Russia as a global power faced with a common, external enemy: the West.

"That's potentially dangerous," said Joordens, who is cautious about drawing analogies with the Second World War. "Germany was also weak, but they had a strong leader. If you do that too much, there's potential to cause a lot of trouble."

Diplomatic daredevil

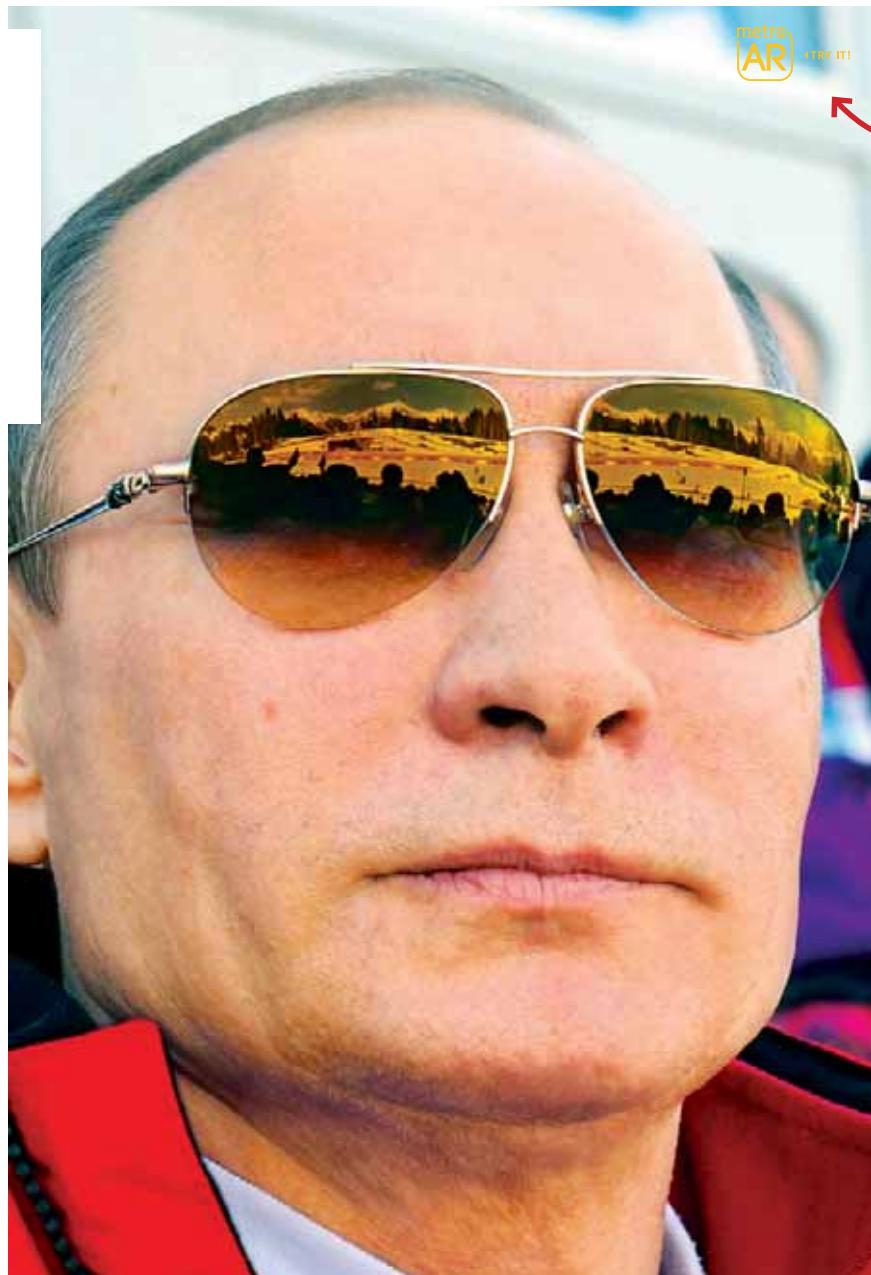
"It's a question of how far (Putin) will take the sabre-rattling."

U of T psychology professor Steve Joordens

Double-speak

No one seems to know what's next for Ukraine, with Russia's foreign minister claiming his government has "no intention" of invading eastern Ukraine while they continue to station more troops at the border. "It's a classic poker technique," said Joordens. "Unpredictability is a source of strength."

But Putin also shows his softer side, posing with his dog Buffy. "He does like to surprise," said Joordens. "People use ani-



From the crisis in Crimea to shirtless photo-ops, Russian President Vladimir Putin leaves many observers wondering what's really going on in his head. MIKHAIL KLIMENTYEV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

mals to make themselves look more compassionate."

Putin revealed himself to be a Paul McCartney fan, inviting the singer to Moscow in 2003 and giving him a personal tour of the Kremlin. He also sang the Fats Domino classic Blueberry Hill at a charity gala in 2010.

"It's a way of showing the West that 'Hey, he's one of us.'

He keeps everybody guessing."

A hostile neighbour

Putin seems to be egging on Western countries, despite signing agreements against military action and carefully building up Russia's image through the Olympics.

"He knows that no one

wants to go to war with Russia."

Joordens suspects that Putin saw Ukraine's uprising as a risk to Russia's influence. Joordens uses the analogy of a hostile neighbour.

"You might have someone causing animosity and friction around them, but they don't care because their family is the top priority," he said.

Some of the many legends of Vladimir Putin

Shooting a tiger

On a visit to Siberia in 2008, a tiger escaped from its cage and lunged toward journalists. Putin quickly grabbed a tranquilizer gun and subdued the beast in one shot.

He then helped measure its teeth before placing a satellite transmitter around its

neck. He attached a similar collar to a polar bear in 2010, and also released a leopard into a Sochi-area sanctuary.

Putin admitted in 2012 that all these stunts were staged, with each animal brought in from zoos or sanctuaries where they had been trained.

The Judo master

During a 2003 visit to Japan, Putin upstaged Judo instructors, throwing his guests to the ground with special moves in front of the Japanese press. Putin published a book about the sport, saying



that "Judo teaches self-control, the ability to feel the moment, to see the opponent's strengths and weaknesses."

Hanging out with biker gangs

When Obama came to Moscow in 2009, he met with then-president Dmitry Medvedev for five hours, while Putin got a brief press conference. A dejected Putin took to the streets with Hell's

Angels-style motorcycle club Night Wolves, tying up traffic and stealing the spotlight.





UN orders a stop to scenes like this

A minke whale is unloaded at a port after a whaling for scientific purposes in Kushiro, in the northernmost main island of Hokkaido in September 2013. The International Court of Justice on Monday ordered a temporary halt to Japan's Antarctic whaling program, ruling that it is not for scientific purposes as the Japanese had claimed. In hopes of ending whaling in the icy Southern Ocean, Australia sued Japan at the UN's highest court for resolving disputes between nations. KYODO NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

There is no such thing as a new idea?

R&D. Judges must decide if Mark Twain was right when he argued we just make 'new and curious combinations' of existing ideas

Is it too easy for high-tech companies to patent inventions that are not really new, but simply old ideas blended with computer wizardry?

The Supreme Court in the U.S. wrestled with that question Monday as justices considered making it tougher for the government to issue patents for computer software. The outcome could send

Seacrest out ... for now

BlackBerry has won a preliminary injunction barring sales of a Typo Products LLC iPhone keyboard attachment it claims infringes on two of its patents.

- A judge said BlackBerry had a "likelihood" of proving the \$99 US physical keyboard, which can be

clipped to some versions of Apple Inc.'s touch screen iPhone 5, violates its intellectual property rights.

- Los Angeles-based Typo, co-founded by entrepreneur Laurence Hallier and American Idol host Ryan Seacrest, said it plans to appeal the decision.

tremors through an industry that touches virtually every sector of the economy, from gadgets on smartphones to advances in anti-lock brakes.

The issue has divided the nation's technology giants, with companies like Micro-

soft Corp. and IBM warning that new restrictions could nullify thousands of existing patents that are the product of billions in research and development. On the other side, firms including Google, Facebook and Netflix say the

free flow of software patents has become a "plague" on the industry, blocking companies from promoting innovation.

The justices weighed arguments in a case involving Alice Corp., an Australian financial company that in the 1990s patented a computer program to reduce the risk in financial transactions. The software allows a neutral third party to make sure all parties to a trade have lived up to their obligations.

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Medical marijuana. Future of pot hazy as feds launch legal challenge

The federal government will contest an injunction that allows people to continue to grow medical marijuana while a full legal challenge plays out in the courts.

It is the latest salvo in a series of legal actions over how the government administers its medical pot program.

Earlier this month, Federal Court Judge Michael Manson ruled that patients currently

licensed to grow their own marijuana would be permitted to produce the drug even after new regulations banning the practice take effect Tuesday.

The judge granted an application from medical marijuana patients seeking a temporary injunction to preserve the status quo until their constitutional challenge of the new system could be heard.

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IS THIS A SICK POTTY JOKE?

How do you flush a toilet?

You might think this question has a pretty obvious answer, but a recent discussion with some friends of mine has left me questioning everything I thought I knew about bathroom etiquette. It would seem that it's now standard practice to use your foot to flush the toilet when using a public washroom.

Am I the only person who didn't get the Health Canada memo on this new procedure? I had no idea that we were no longer using our hands to perform this perfunctory task.

Apparently this foot-flushing technique isn't just the invention of a neurotic minority. A 2013 study found that 64 per cent of North Americans operate the toilet flusher with their shoe-clad foot in order to avoid coming into contact with germs in public restrooms.

I can't understand why North Americans are so precious when it comes to personal hygiene. I happen to have an incredibly strong immune system in spite of my daily skin-to-



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toilet contact. My resilience probably has a lot to do with my complete indifference towards germs, a carefree attitude that I inherited from my father who is the type of man who will marinate a raw chicken breast with his bare hands and then lick the BBQ sauce off his fingertips.

Despite all the fear mongering out there, I just can't bring myself to be afraid of something I can't see. I'm a firm believer in the five-second rule (or even the two-minute rule) and will gladly share a beverage with another person as long as we're on a first-name basis. I ride public transit, double-dip my chips and once ate a chocolate Easter bunny out of the garbage (it was partially wrapped, in my defence).

I'm not completely uncivilized of course. If someone offers me hand sanitizer I will use it because I know that is the polite thing to do and I adhere to the government-mandated arm-sneeze to protect all the anxious worrywarts out there.

Germs? Who needs 'em

Despite all the fear mongering out there, I just can't bring myself to be afraid of something I can't see.

It's actually these extremists—those who obsessively clean their countertops with pungent antibacterial wipes and scrub their hands like they're prepping for surgery—who seem to get struck down by the common cold so frequently. I assume their bodies are having bad reactions to all the antiseptic fumes and high levels of neuroses.

I know there's nothing glamorous about using a public bathroom, but karate kicking a toilet to avoid touching it with your hands just seems outrageously paranoid to me. If you're trying to avoid all of the infinitesimal microorganisms that are out there just waiting to latch onto you, you're just going to worry yourself sick.

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ZOOM

Art that tests the waters



COURTESY JASON DECAIRES TAYLOR

Sub-aquatic museum

For the past five years, British sculptor Jason deCaires Taylor has transformed seabeds off Mexico and Grenada into underwater art sites. Taylor, 39, sculpts life-size statues, then submerges them at depths of nine metres. His work is featured in a new book *The Underwater Museum*, published by Chronicle Books. **METRO**

Q & A with Taylor

How did you come up with the underwater sculpture?

I started to explore how I could adopt a more conservationist approach in my sculpture. Being a diver and watching how we are losing swathes of coral reefs, I felt inspired to take action. An artificial reef—where marine life (and tourists) gravitate towards

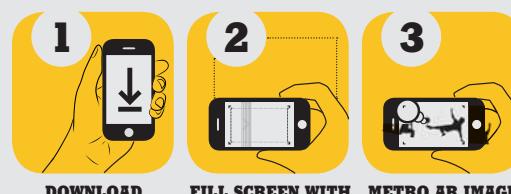
objects—seemed the perfect way for art to help the planet.

Help? How exactly?

The reef encourages fish and coral to live and grow there, while the human statues are linked to the concept of climate change. This art-meets-reef—a sort of visual regeneration—can instill a sense of hope and recovery.

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Howls in the Himalayas



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For most of the country, spring made its long-awaited debut in the past couple weeks—hang in there, Atlantic Canada.

Which, of course, means that all dreary winter dreaming about warm exotic places is easing a bit. Though, as that mental fog lifts, we find ourselves regretting the hastily booked Treacherous Himalayan Roads Tour.



Scan this photo of the Himalayas to watch the video of some courageous travellers who skirt the mountain cliff. **GETTY IMAGES**



Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues

Director. Adam McKay

Stars. Will Ferrell, Steve Carell, Paul Rudd

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I quote Brian Fantana's promise about Sex Panther cologne: "60 per cent of the time, it works every time."

So does this long-awaited comedy sequel that supposedly nobody wanted — except for millions of fans of Ron Burgundy, Will Ferrell's puffed-up TV newscaster, and his Channel 4 teammates: scented news sleuth Fantana (Paul Rudd), thunderbolt weatherman Brick Tamland (Steve Carell) and sports clod Champ "Whammy" Kind (David Koechner).

Now that it's here, again directed by Adam McKay and co-written with Ferrell, it must be said that Anchorman has gone from being kind of a big deal to being kind of a bloated deal.

Anchorman 2 nevertheless amuses, with your personal hilarity meter likely rating it higher if you enjoy seeing beloved characters acting even goofier.

And if you get the Blu-ray version, the abundant extras include an almost entirely new cut of the film, with a promise of 763 new jokes. **PETER HOWELL**



Michael Chiklis will star in American Horror Story: Freak Show. GETTY IMAGES

Michael Chiklis gets his freak on for scary show

Michael Chiklis is ready to freak out.

The actor is joining the American Horror Story family for the anthology series' fourth season, subtitled *Freak Show*. The Emmy-winning star of *The Shield* will portray the ex-husband and father of characters played by Kathy Bates and Evan Peters.

The Chiklis casting announcement came during the American Horror Story: *Coven* event that served as closing night of PaleyFest, which over

16 days presented casts and crews of past and present TV series, attracting thousands of fans to the Dolby Theatre.

The series' stars present for the PaleyFest panel included Peters, Angela Bassett, Jamie Brewer, Frances Conroy, Denis O'Hare, Sarah Paulson, Emma Roberts and Gabourey Sidibe, with Bates herself making a surprise appearance.

Actress "Jessica" (Lange) is on spring break with her grandchildren," noted series co-creator Ryan Murphy, who

later revealed more season-four casting news:

Lange and "every person on this stage is coming back in some capacity," he said.

Murphy explained the setting for the upcoming series "is not a circus and is not carnival — it's a freak show," adding that it was Lange who came up with idea of her character, a German expat who is a "collector of freaks."

American Horror Story: *Freak Show* is set to debut this fall. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Emma Watson with costar Douglas Booth in *Noah*. HANDOUT

All grown-up. The star of new release *Noah* talks to Metro about her movie career, and finding a work-life balance

GABRIELA ACOSTA SILVA
Metro World News

Hermione is all grown-up now. Almost three years on since the Harry Potter movie franchise ended, Emma Watson is out to prove there is life beyond Hogwarts. "I still need to show people what I can do outside of Harry Potter. I don't think I'm quite there yet, but I'm getting there," the star of *Noah* tells Metro Latin America at the Spanish premiere of the new movie in Madrid.

There's been a lot of buzz surrounding *Noah*, both good and bad.

The producers did a lot of research and came up with many different versions of the script. The biggest problem is that in the Bible, Noah's story is like half a page. So basically, we made a three-hour movie out of three paragraphs.

Your character Ila has dreadlocks. How did that come about?

We decided to use hair extensions, which was actually quite difficult because at the time, my real hair was really short. The good thing is that we didn't have showers or bathrooms on set, so it worked out fine in the end.

How would you describe the movie?

Personally, I find *Noah*'s story a little bit cheesy. But when the screenplay is written by someone like Darren Aronofsky you know you're going to be doing something special. I'd say the movie is more of a study of people who find themselves in a futuristic, apocalyptic world.

What is your biggest challenge right now?

Prove that I am no longer Hermione. I need to be able to be good, bad, bold or innocent in whatever role I take

on. But I still need to show people what I can do outside of Harry Potter. I don't think I'm quite there yet, but I'm getting there.

What's the best thing about being in your early 20s?

I'm no longer scared to take on new roles. I'm more confident and more focused now than I used to be, and I've also learned that not everything in life is about work. Fame has the power to blur reality. That's why I chose to take a step back and go study, and gave myself the space to think about what

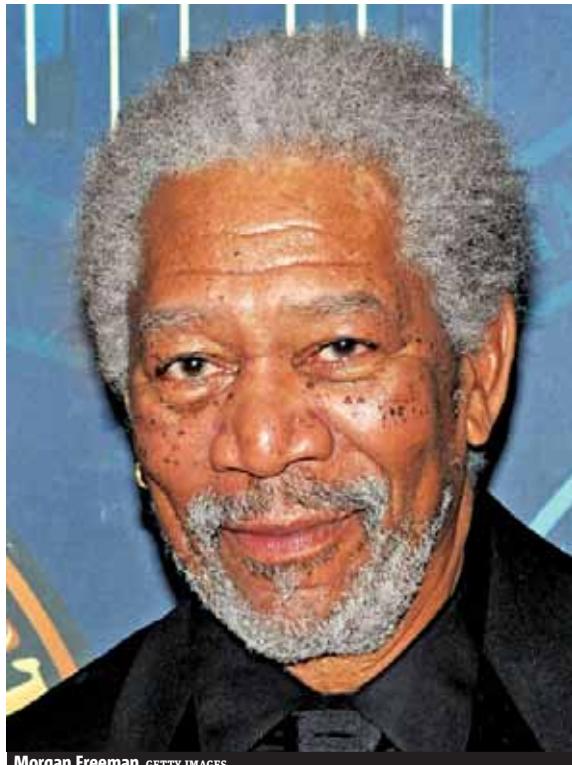
I really wanted to do. Right now I've gone back into the acting world with a different mindset.

You're studying as well as working. How is university going?

I'll be graduating from Brown University in May and I'm glad I took the time out to study. I have the rest of my life to make movies and I feel like I learned a lot just by living alone in another country. I feel like I'm at the stage where I now have a healthy balance between my professional and personal life.

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Freeman demurs on learning fate of some of Madagascar's lemurs



Morgan Freeman. GETTY IMAGES

Island of Lemurs.

Morgan Freeman is the voice of a new nature documentary about Madagascar's famous creatures

 **NED EHRBAR**
Metro World News in Hollywood

Morgan Freeman steps back behind the microphone for *Island of Lemurs: Madagascar*, giving another nature documentary his March of the Penguins voice-over treatment. Only the gig left him

with more questions than answers, like: Do people in Madagascar eat lemurs? He got a sobering answer at the film's press conference, learning that due to worsening poverty on the island nation, people are actually eating the adorable creatures. So naturally we wanted to talk more about that with him.

So people are actually eating lemurs now.

It's not f---ing OK. Yeah, people are poor. I don't know what we're going to do about that. There are too many of us, I think. And because there are too many of us we are going to continue to grow, and we grow even faster be-

cause population growth is exponential. If you've got two people creating babies, next thing you know you've got four creating babies, and then eight and then 16 and then ... So it's a problem. And I just read about how these countries get really concerned if the population starts to decline because they

suffer economically.

With Japan, right?

Yeah, yeah. They're concerned about the levelling off of the population growth. As long as your population is growing, I suppose, you're getting a bigger consumer base. That's not really what we need, is it?

It's not a topic people like talking about, though, population control.

Well, they won't until it's too late. And we won't know it's too late until it's too late. We're at 7.3 billion — probably more than that now. And as I read it, in about 15 to 18 years there will be 8 billion.

What do we do with all of them?

Well, eventually there just won't be enough food. We're turning everything on the planet into food for humans. Daniel Quinn, who wrote *Ishmael*, he talks about the difference in humans between "takers" and "leavers." Leavers are those people who live simplest — the forest people of Borneo, the leaf people of the Amazon, the Tasadans in the Philippines. These are people who still live in the forest, and they don't require much. They don't have cars. S—, I've got three cars and an SUV.

That's a lot of cars.

Yeah. My point being, we're takers. We're just gobbling up s—. And we're encouraged to do it. It'll be too late before we know it's too late.

Have you thought about ways you yourself can pare things down?

Well, one of my cars is a Tesla, so I've reduced my carbon footprint somewhat. They're awesome, awesome cars. Very, very nice. A technological marvel. It's keyless — but you have to have a key.

It senses you.

Yeah. And it tells you it senses your presence. Door handles come out, car lights up, it's like, "Oh! It's happy to see me!"

Consumed by growth

"As long as your population is growing, I suppose, you're getting a bigger consumer base. That's not really what we need, is it?"

Morgan Freeman



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Van Der Beek likes sitcom better live

Keeping up with the Joneses used to require a peek over the white picket fence. Thanks to social media, you now have to post equally fabulous vacation photos on Instagram, bake cookies that are nothing short of Pinterest-worthy, and make sure Nike+ is keeping everyone on Facebook aware of your running progress. At least,

that's the premise of the new CBS sitcom *Friends with Better Lives*.

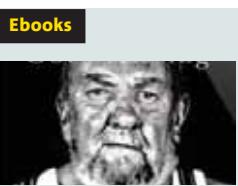
"The show examines friendship through that grass-is-always-greener lens," says Dana Klein, creator and executive producer of the show. "I mean, I can barely open my computer without feeling like I failed in a million different ways. Some-

one's got the perfect family, the perfect kids, the perfect job, the perfect body. It's human nature to want what we don't have."

"I've got all those things," interjects star James Van Der Beek. It's an offhand joke, but one that exemplifies the show's biting humour about modern friendship. Van Der

Beek's favourite change in his return to television is playing in a new format. "The great thing about this is the live audience aspect," he says. "I started out in theatre, so it's a lot of fun. I feel like the audience kind of keeps you honest. It's old school. It's an old school sitcom. You either get a laugh or you don't." **AMBER M. RAY/MWN**

James Van Der Beek, left, in *Friends with Better Lives*. CONTRIBUTED



Skulls & Bones: El Inglés Goes Missing

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In this first novella from Bedouin Soundclash singer Jay Malinowski, a weathered box gives up a collection of letters between an old sea dog and the granddaughter he left behind in Cape Breton. Smudged with photos and drawings they detail a violent, and rather confusing, Maritime family history. An included song, *Skulls & Bones*, suggests a deeper mystery will follow.

Don't mistake this for a rock doc

Mistaken for Strangers. Film about The National chronicles what happens when a slacker takes a hard look at his life

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Fans of indie rock band The National should be slightly cautioned before buying tickets to see *Mistaken for Strangers*. After all, the film is certainly less a music documentary than it is a comedy of errors about the singer's brother who slacked his way onto the screen.

"I tell people this (is) not really a rock doc," explained director and subject Tom Berninger. "If you like The National, see this movie because you're going to see them as normal people not talking about their music for once. You can go watch that on YouTube."

The National's music may



Mistaken For Strangers shows The National to be less rocker and more like regular people. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

be downplayed but *Mistaken for Strangers* (opening April 10th in Toronto and available on iTunes) does capture how connected the Ohio band is. After band leader Matt Berninger asked his idle 30-something sibling to help the road

crew during a year-long tour, Tom instead aimed to film the musical mayhem of a travelling rock band. To his surprise, however, the backstage antics weren't what he expected.

"It kind of sucked in that

way," said Berninger, who jokes that he ended up with a lot of footage of guys on laptops. "They weren't partying with me, so I had to party by myself."

His outrageous conduct surely made for an amusing

Being Berninger

• Berninger on his film opening the Tribeca Film Festival. "Honestly, when they first told me that I was the opening movie of the festival, I thought, does that mean my movie is going to show at 10 o'clock in the morning on the first day?"

comedy but it also got Tom fired from the job.

As the film's emotional twist, it also proved a turning point for the would-be filmmaker, who then had to look inward for inspiration and, essentially, turn the acclaimed doc into a painstaking study of self.

"I had a lot of encouragement, a lot of help with other people telling me this stuff was good, or this stuff was terrible — (there was) a lot of that, too," laughed Berninger. "Our motto in the editing room was that anything creative you do is always bad until it's good."

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Bachelor stars get no love from Atlantic City

PAT HEALY

Metro World News in Boston

Atlantic City didn't have the kindest of receptions for Bachelor star Juan Pablo Galavis and his girlfriend, Nikki Ferrell, who came to the resort town for a special appearance at The Pool After Dark at Harrah's Resort Atlantic City on Saturday night.

Galavis and Ferrell appeared on the red carpet around midnight, and the locals were angry. Galavis was originally to sit at a VIP table next to the stage until



someone (it is not known who this local hero was) threw an aluminum beer bottle at him. After that, the organizers moved him to a cabana area for his own safety.

According to reports (read: the publicist who sent me this), Ferrell joined Ga-

lavis in the VIP cabana area where they "kissed" and "held hands" until around 3 a.m., hopefully fulfilling all contractual engagements.

Read: The two didn't stick around for that long, and once they collected their paycheque, flew to Miami the next day.

Johnny Depp showed off a diamond engagement ring that he called a "chick's ring" on Monday - indirectly confirming rumours of his engagement to actress Amber Heard.

Asked whether he was engaged, the Pirates of the Caribbean star replied, "The fact that I'm wearing a chick's ring on my finger is probably a dead giveaway. Not very subtle." He laughed as he lifted up his left hand and displayed a single diamond on a band around his ring finger.

His comments follow months of unconfirmed reports of his engagement to actress Heard, 27, who starred alongside Kevin Costner in *3 Days to Kill*



Johnny Depp ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

released in the U.S. earlier this year.

Depp and Heard starred

together in *The Rum Diary*, filmed in Puerto Rico in 2009. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Brad and Angie liked it, so now they're putting ink on it

Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie are reportedly planning to mark their upcoming nuptials with matching tattoos, according to Radar Online.

"Brad really wants to do something special and, frankly, a little weird to mark the occasion, and they want to get the exact same design in the exact same spot on their bodies," a source says.

"Brad is like a teenager again as he and Angelina decide on their matching tattoos. He's let Angelina help him pick out tats in the past, but this time it's a real



Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie

collaboration. Don't expect it to be something that's visible when they're out day to day. They might just acknowledge

to the press that they did it, but keep the actual content of the tattoos as their love secret."



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Lindsay Lohan

James Franco doesn't say the whole list is bogus, but he definitely doesn't think his name belongs on it, insisting that he has never gotten intimate with the troubled starlet.

In an interview with Los Angeles Magazine, Franco defends his decision to write

about other celebrities in his new book of poetry.

"I didn't write anything bad about them," he says. "And Lindsay herself has told lies about me with her 'people she's slept with' list. So I feel like what I said is much less than what she's said."

And he's previously explained in an interview with Howard Stern about how he'd turned down her advances during her hard-partying days. "I mean, I don't want to brag about it," Franco said. "She was having issues even then, so you feel weird."

Putting a face to autism

National Autism Awareness Month.

April is a time to educate the public about everything autism. A mom offers a glimpse into an evening with her autistic daughter

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It's Friday and the nanny has left for the weekend. Lauren is submerged in the bath, singing aloud, happy as a clam. She is always happy, and that is my salvation. All we are supposed to want for our children is for them to happy, isn't it?

I realize I forgot her PJs and a fresh towel, so I go to retrieve them from the closet in her bedroom. I come back to small drips and puddles along the bathroom floor. The shattered bathroom window is now firmly closed, as is the vanity drawer, both of which were inadvertently left slightly open. She is lying contentedly back in the bathtub and could stay there entertaining herself for hours if I let her. Everything is in perfect order, as it must be, or chaos might ensue.

"Write down calendar!" she cries. I transcribe a visual daily calendar with activities on a chalkboard in her room, each upcoming event identified — from mealtimes and snacks to baths and sleep. This is critically important to her, so I use it as a tool to motivate her to focus on getting herself dressed. "First PJs, then calendar," I tell her. For the reward, she obliges.

The telephone rings. "Goooooodbyye!" she shrieks before I even answer.

Lauren does not like when my attention is focused on



Lauren, 13, was diagnosed with autism at age 4. SUBMITTED

anything but her. I tell her it is Grandma, and ask if she would like to say hello. "Eeeeesss", she replies. The conversation ensues: "hiGrandmawareyoualamgood" and is followed by a series of "eeeessses" in response to unheard questions. After a quick "Goodbye, Grandpa" (who is really still Grandma), I take the phone to speak, and the "goobyyes" start again, over and over until the phone is set properly back in its cradle.

I fill out her calendar while she grabs her Magna Doodle and begins furiously scribbling to calm herself down further. This is her "stim." Others living with autism — a disorder of neural development char-

acterized by impaired social interaction and verbal and non-verbal communication, and by restricted, repetitive or stereotyped behaviour — like to rock back and forth or find other repeated actions to calm down.

"I need hugs, Mom." The squeezing motion calms her again, and she reaches for her cherished iPad and searches YouTube. For the next several hours, she positions herself in her usual way, deep within the folds of her beanbag chair, and repeatedly watches Barney, Baby Einstein, and Sesame Street episodes that she has watched nightly for years.

Next, she carefully inspects their video box covers that she has managed to source on eBay,

because this too is very important to her. She has memorized every single word and song from every one of these YouTube videos and recites them, in sync with the films. The precision is almost perfect now, but this has taken several years of dedicated practice, because she cannot even carry on a conversation yet. She is 13.

I take away the iPad and prepare her for bed. Again, she babbles out loud to herself and carries on like this easily for the next two hours. She laughs out loud and then sings, completely immersed with the images and voices in her head.

She laughs again when she hears Rihanna and Eminem sing they are friends with the

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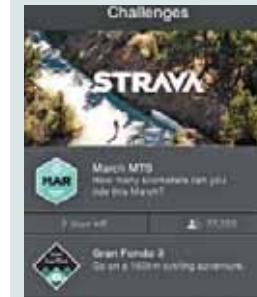
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monsters in their head, as if she understands. I suspect she does. She loves music more than anyone I know. Sometimes I stop when I think of her most favourite songs because I am afraid to believe my own thoughts.

If she does understand, and my desperate hope for "normalcy" returns, will it be crushed again by professionals telling me it is only wishful thinking?

The songs? Firework by Katy Perry, and Born This Way by Lady Gaga. Read the lyrics and — although she might not be coherent should you meet her, and certainly could not share her thoughts with you — please be the judge.

Then, try to understand the frustration that she lives with day after day, night after night, and year after year.

That is the face of autism.

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species' needs.

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By far, the best way to cook any fresh mushroom is in a skillet that has been heated to very high heat.

Rinse and dry the mushrooms on paper towels, add a knob of butter to the hot pan and let melt and slightly brown.

Do not crowd the pan. Allow space between each piece since the key to cooking mushrooms, so they brown rather than turn grey, is to make sure the water evaporates.

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Quick Cream of Mushroom Soup.

Forego tradition and make this filling soup with new ingredients

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No one will ever know that there is yogurt and tofu in this soup instead of cream.

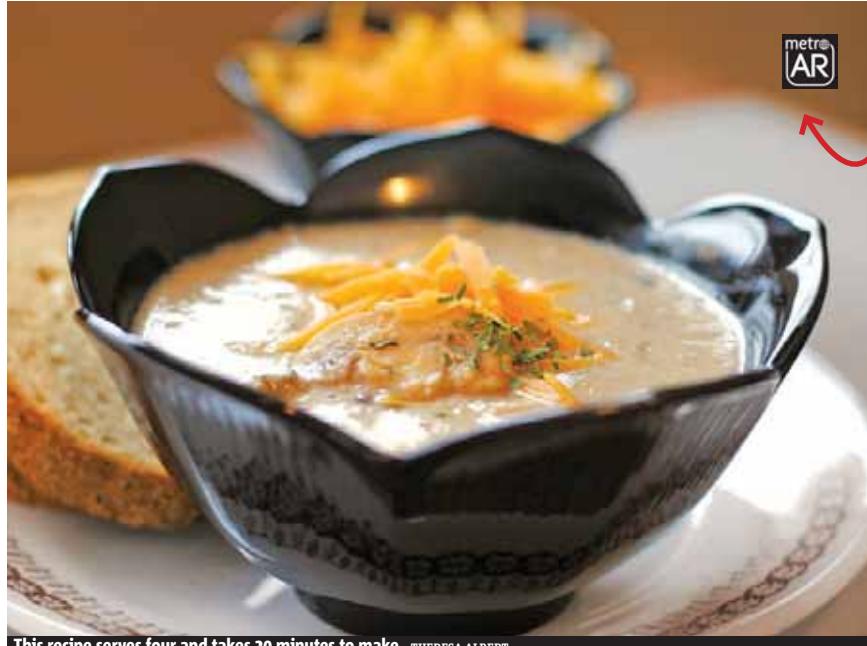
Together, they are excellent and filling protein.

The only trick to this soup is to keep the temperature at a simmer since boiling will turn the creaminess into graininess and then we are both busted as nutrient hiders. Don't say I didn't warn you!

1. Break shiitake mushrooms into smaller pieces and place in a microwavable bowl with the 2 cups of water. Cover and place in microwave for 3-4 minutes until softened. Set aside

2. Stir cornstarch into the plain Greek yogurt and set the mixture aside.

3. Brown butter in a large pot and add onions, cook for



This recipe serves four and takes 20 minutes to make. THERESA ALBERT

3 minutes. Add mushrooms and brown over medium high heat for 3-4 minutes.

4. Add pepper, onion powder and stir 2 minutes. Pour reconstituted mushrooms with liquid through a strainer to catch any dirt or sand, add chicken broth and tarragon and bring to a

boil to for 5 minutes.

5. Whisk in yogurt mixture and silken tofu.

6. Puree the mixture with a hand wand or in a blender, and top with cheddar when serving. **THERESA ALBERT IS A FOOD COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST AND PRIVATE NUTRITIONIST IN TORONTO. SHE IS @THERESAALBERT ON TWITTER AND FOUND DAILY AT MYFRIENDINFOOD.COM**

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- 1 cup dried shiitake mushroom
- 2 cups water
- 1 tbsp cornstarch (or arrow-root powder)
- 1 cup plain, gelatin-free Greek yogurt
- 1 tbsp butter
- 1 onion, chopped
- 8 oz (1 package) sliced mushroom
- 1 tsp tarragon
- 6 oz (1 package) silken tofu

Potatoes, cabbage and smoked fish mingle

Add even a bit of smoked fish and suddenly a dish becomes the essence of comfort food and guests think you're a culinary genius.

Here, it is combined with Napa cabbage, which is relatively light with a delicate texture. Meanwhile, potatoes are

easy and cheap to grow, high in minerals and vitamins, and delicious no matter how they're cooked. In this recipe, the potatoes absorb the smokiness of the fish and also provide bulk.

The leeks, meanwhile, add a distinct and subtle flavour all their own.

whisking, and bring to a boil.

3. Add the potatoes, milk and thyme, then bring the mixture to a simmer. Cover partially and simmer, stirring occasionally, until the potatoes are just tender, 10 to 15 minutes.

4. Stir in the cabbage and simmer until tender, about 3 minutes. Add the fish and lemon juice and cook just until the fish is heated through. Season with salt and pepper. Ladle into bowls and garnish with scallions and a sprinkle of paprika.

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Ingredients

- 2 tbsp unsalted butter
- 1 large leek, white and green parts, medium chopped
- 3 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 3 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 lb Yukon gold potatoes,

- peeled and cut into 1/2-inch dice
- 2 cups 1% milk
- 1/2 tsp dried thyme
- 4 cups shredded Napa cabbage
- 1/2 lb smoked fish fillets (trout, whitefish, haddock or mackerel), skin discarded, fish
- coarsely chopped
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- Thinly sliced scallions, to garnish
- Smoked paprika, to garnish



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



41%

Metro readers voted Norway's multi-coloured Olympic curling pants as the ugliest in our poll of ugly sports uniforms. Here are the rest of the results:

23% Northwestern football (stars and stripes, 2013)

13% Chicago Bulls (St. Patrick's Day green sleeves, 2014)

13% New York Islanders (Capt. Highliner logo, 1995)

10% Blue Jays (with buff bird logo, 2003)

0% Toronto Raptors (purple duds, 1995)

MLB

Expanded replay proves quick and effective

Major League Baseball launched the expanded replay era Monday, and saw instant results — a pair of missed calls by umpires got fixed fast, without any arguments.

Opening day showed off the game's newest nod to modern technology in a sport that long relied on the eyes of its umps.

Of the first four reviews Monday, none took longer than 2 1/2 minutes.

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Jays pick up where they left off in Tampa

MLB. Toronto's luck looks to have carried over from 2013 with Reyes injured, Dickey thumped in opener

Jose Reyes aggravated an injury, R.A. Dickey struggled and the Toronto Blue Jays ended up with a one-sided loss to Tampa Bay.

David Price took a shutout into the eighth inning and Matt Joyce drove in three runs Monday to help the Rays begin the season with a 9-2 victory over the Blue Jays.

Reyes left the lineup after his first at-bat because of a tight left hamstring. The star shortstop led off the game and was robbed of a hit on a diving catch by Rays centre-fielder Desmond Jennings. He was replaced in the field by Ryan Goins.

"I tried to run a little bit faster between home plate and first base, and I kind of feel my hammy there," Reyes said. "So I have to slow down and get out of the game because I don't want to get any worse."

Reyes missed several games during the final week of spring training with the same problem, and wasn't at 100 per cent for exhibition games Friday and Saturday in Montreal. He will have an MRI and is expected to be put on the 15-day disabled list on Tuesday.

"Irritated the same spot, so that's a concern," Toronto manager John Gibbons said.

Reyes missed 66 games last season after going on the DL April 13 with a sprained left



Rays outfielder Desmond Jennings, left, beats the tag of Toronto Blue Jays catcher Josh Thole to give Tampa Bay a 6-0 lead during the fifth inning of Monday's season opener in St. Petersburg, Fla. CHRIS O'MEARA/GETTY IMAGES

Opening day

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Price (1-0) allowed two runs and six hits over 7 1/3 innings to beat R.A. Dickey in a matchup of 2012 Cy Young Award winners. The hard-throwing lefty walked one and struck out six before a crowd of 31,042 at Tropicana Field.

"It's really disappointing

and frustrating," Dickey said. "You feel like you let a lot of people down. Against David Price, one of the best pitchers in baseball, if you don't match him inning per inning, it's going to be tough to win the game. I put us in a hole early. Walked some guys early, gave up some 0-2 hits with runners in scoring position, and that was the game."

Price limited the Jays to four singles and had only allowed two runners past second base before Maicer Izturis opened the eighth with his second hit of the day. Pinch-hitter Erik Kratz followed with a first-pitch, two-run homer to centre-field. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Detroit Tigers slugger Miguel Cabrera agreed Friday to the richest contract in American sports, a \$292-million, 10-year deal with the Detroit Tigers. GETTY IMAGES

Redblacks take mulligan on muffed mascot moniker

The expansion Ottawa Redblacks have changed the name of their new lumberjack mascot after receiving some critical feedback on the original choice.

The CFL team announced last week that the mascot would go by the handle of "Big Joe Mufferaw." On Monday, the name was changed to "Big Joe" in English and "Grand Jos" in French.

"We unintentionally of-

fended some with the original name and we sincerely apologize for that," said Jeff Hunt, the president of the Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group, which owns the Redblacks.

"We hope to create a fan base that is unified in its support for the Redblacks and we will continue to strive to do our best in that regard."

The team received a

number of suggestions from fans before naming the mascot. Many wanted it named after late Ottawa storyteller Bernie Bedore's character, which was inspired by Joseph Montferrand, a real-life Outaouais logger and defender of Francophone rights in the 1800s.

However, critics felt that using the "Mufferaw" name was disrespectful.

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CFL

Flory hopes to help players get 'fair' shake

The Canadian Football League Players' Association has elected a new executive committee as it prepares for the next round of labour talks with the league.

Scott Flory has been elected president, Jay McNeil will serve as first vice-president and Marwan Hage of the Ottawa Redblacks will serve as second vice-president, the CFLPA said Monday in a statement.

Flory succeeds Mike Morreale as president. The

2014-15 executive committee also includes third vice-president Jeff Keeping of the Toronto Argonauts and treasurer Brian Ramsay of the Edmonton Eskimos.

The CFLPA is set to hold talks with the league April 10-11.

"This CBA negotiation, coinciding as it does with the start of the league's new five-year deal with TSN, is a perfect time to revisit some of the past revenue concessions made by the CFL players and negotiate a deal that is fair and reasonable for both the players and the league," Flory said.

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SPORTS

Wiggins all set for NBA draft

Now it's firm. Kansas top Canadian prodigy ends his one-year college career

Kansas freshman Andrew Wiggins made official Monday what he's been telling folks all along: He's headed to the NBA after his only season with the Jayhawks.

The six-foot-eight forward, who was voted second-team All-America earlier in the day, is expected to go in the top three picks in the June draft. Many believe he could go first overall.

"It wasn't an easy decision because the fans showed me so much love here," said Wiggins, choking up briefly during a news conference at Allen Fieldhouse. "I just wish I had more time. College goes by so fast. I can see why people stay all four years."

The Canadian was the top-rated recruit when he arrived at Kansas, and his brief career was a bit of a roller-coaster. He struggled early in the season, caught fire midway through, and then flamed out when it mattered

most in an NCAA tournament loss to Stanford.

Wiggins, from Vaughan, Ont., only scored four points on 1-for-6 shooting in the third-round defeat. Afterward, he said despondently that he let his team down with his poor performance.

That ultimately didn't have any bearing on his decision, though. He announced he was going pro while joined by Kansas coach Bill Self, his parents — former NBA player Mitchell Wiggins and Olympic silver medalist Marita Payne Wiggins — his older brother Mitchell Jr., and several of his teammates, including fellow freshmen Wayne Selden and Joel Embiid.

Selden has already announced he's returning for his sophomore season. Embiid has not made a decision, even though he's also expected to be a top-five pick in the draft.

Wiggins certainly had a historic season at Kansas. He averaged a freshman-record 17.1 points and nearly six rebounds per game, and was voted The Associated Press's Big 12 freshman of the year and first-team all-conference. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Andrew Wiggins leaves a news conference at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kan., on Monday, just after announcing he will be entering the NBA draft. **ORLIN WAGNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Koe wins twice to reach second place in Beijing



Canada's skip Kevin Koe. **ALEXANDER F. YUAN/CREDIT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Canada's Kevin Koe won both of his games at the world men's curling championship on Monday to move into sole possession of second place in the round-robin standings.

Koe started the day with a 9-1 blowout victory over Russia's Evgeny Arkhipov at Capital Indoor Stadium and then came back for a 10-6 win over Jiri Snilil of the Czech Republic in the late draw.

"For sure, you have to pull some games out," said Koe. "We weren't struggling as bad (as on Sunday). The

sheet was a lot better than yesterday, but no excuses. The Czechs were playing really well and making some big shots.

"I was proud of the guys. We really stayed in there, tried to stay positive and keep it close."

Koe, who suffered his only loss to Japan's Yusuke Morozumi on Sunday morning, improved to 4-1 after eight draws. Norway's Thomas Ulsrud was the lone undefeated team at 5-0.

Germany, Japan, Sweden and Switzerland were tied

for third place at 3-2 in the 12-team round-robin standings.

The Calgary-based team of Koe, lead Nolan Thiessen, second Carter Rycroft and third Pat Simmons shot 96 per cent as a team against Russia. Thiessen and Rycroft both scored perfect games.

"That felt way better," said Rycroft. "We threw some stinkers yesterday, and we were lucky to get away with 1-1 (on the day). Finally today we felt like we got a bit of a handle on things."

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To be continued

Round-robin play continues through Thursday. Playoffs begin Friday and the medal games are set for Sunday.

- Canada will play the United States and Norway on Tuesday.

- Koe won gold in 2010 at this event. Canada won gold in three of the last four years.

Olympic champion

Bolt to miss Rome Diamond League

Golden Gala organizers announced Monday that Usain Bolt will skip the Rome Diamond League meet on June 5, citing reported injury problems. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NBA

Moultrie gets five games for drug violation

Philadelphia 76ers forward Arnett Moultrie has been suspended five games without pay for a league drug violation, beginning Monday night against Atlanta. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Arnett Moultrie of the Philadelphia 76ers. **JARED WICKERHAM/GETTY IMAGES**

Men's soccer

Robert Gale named Canada's under-20 coach

Former player and longtime coach Robert Gale was named head coach of the Canadian men's under-20 team on Monday.

"Rob brings a wealth of coaching experience, hav-

ing worked both in Canada and overseas in player development," Canada Soccer technical director Tony Fonseca said in a release.

Gale joined Fulham FC as a teenager before going pro with Wycombe Wanderers FC. He ended his playing career in 1998. He went on to coach Canada's under-16 and under-18 teams. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

The more others try to make you change your mind about something the more you must refuse to be moved. You know what is right and what is wrong, so make your own decision and stick to it.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There is no point getting worked up over something you can't do much about. You may not be able to change things on a social or political level however you can change things on a personal level.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Something you have been worrying about for quite a while will fade in significance today and that's good. But has the cause of the worry actually gone? You need to find out.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

If someone you have feelings for seems unresponsive today don't think it means you are drifting apart. Most likely they just need to spend some time alone to think things through.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You may want to be friends with everyone but you need to be discerning. There are some people who you will never get along with because you are on different emotional and intellectual levels.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Others will be generous with you if you are generous with them. Let friends and colleagues know you are willing to work alongside them. Teamwork is essential now, in all areas.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There may be a thousand and one things you want to do today but Jupiter, planet of success but also excess, warns you must not to take on too much. Ask loved ones nicely to do more things for you.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Some of what you hear over the next 24 hours may be less than complimentary but it is of no real importance, so don't let it upset your equilibrium.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may hear something about your money situation that brings a smile to your face today but don't be too hasty. There is a chance you are being misled, so don't go on a spending spree.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Something you have been working on for some time needs to be left alone for a while. You have got so involved with it that other areas of your life are being neglected.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

There is no point getting annoyed about things beyond your control – you know that already. So why are you allowing what is a minor event to cause major shockwaves in your life? Get over it – now.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You have some important personal issues to deal with, so let your friends know they may be seeing less of you for a while. Get your emotional life in order, then go and have fun.

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Weather

TODAY



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Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Star __ Tuna
5. Kitschy
9. Kate __ (Purse designer)
14. Quebec: Saint-Louis-du-__! __!
15. Actress Jessica
16. " __ be true?"
17. Prefix to 'culture'
18. Stuff
19. Barter
20. Northwestern Ont. town, Fort __
22. Some Honda cars
24. Fashion: Oscar de la __
25. Bird beak
26. Cries
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29. Informer, to inmates
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35. Peter, in Spain
37. 01/04: 3 wds.
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do this

60. "It's such __!"

(I'm so happy!)

62. __ __ (As per

the broadcast of TV

shows)

63. Eva __, Ma-

donna's "Evita"

(1996) role

64. Bugs Bunny, e.g.

65. __ It Bad":

Tune by Usher

66. Toronto: CN

Tower's locale, 301 __

Street West

67. Edmonton's

CFL team's website,

.com

68. "Can you give

__ hints at all?" (I

need help guessing!)

Down

1. Egypt's second largest pyramid
2. "My sentiments exactly.": 2 wds.
3. Reduced

4. Contaminate

5. Coop

6. Beers

7. Academic letters

8. Purolator delivery

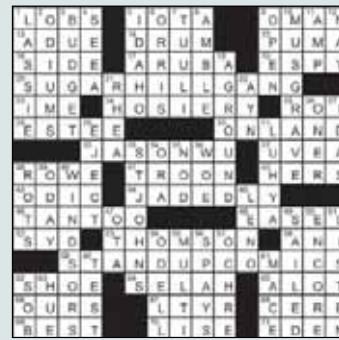
9. Item on Eugene

Levy's resume

10. Ms. Hilton

11. 1997 snake horror

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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movie

12. Alberta town

13. Parisian season

21. Store job

23. There: Latin

25. "It's __ business but my own!"

27. Pou __ (Vantage point)

30. Li'l old MTV show

31. "That hurts!",

comics-style

32. Beatles manager

Brian

34. Food fragment

36. Mr. Asner's

37. Infomercial exercise device: 2 wds.

38. Michel __: "Rain-showers" Montreal-born musician

39. Folklore creature

40. West Coast basketball team [acronym]

41. Some batteries

45. Fitting-here fish

46. Produce

47. Tightwad

48. Quebec pastry brand

49. k-o hit: "Man I __ Be"

51. British songstress

Beth

54. Extreme execration

56. Rapper 50

Chef

58. Writer Ms. Rand's

59. Sunscreen no.

61. __ Louis (Popular cakes-in-a-box product by #48-Down)



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